

HB 675 -- STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPONSOR: Dohrman

Upon voter approval, this bill changes the term served by a member of the State Board of Education (SBE). Currently, each member serves a term of eight years. Beginning January 24, 2019, eight members will be appointed to the SBE. Four of the members will be appointed to two year terms and the four other members will be appointed to terms of four years. Following those appointments all members will be appointed to a four-year term and may not serve more than eight years except that a member appointed to serve out a remaining term that is less than one year.

The bill allows any board member to be subject to a recall vote if a petition signed by at least 8% of the legal voters in each of two-thirds of the Congressional districts is submitted and verified by the Secretary of State. If the petition is verified, a statewide election on recall must be held within 60 days after verification. If a majority of the votes are for recall the Governor must fill the vacancy.